



## FREE CHILD SAFETY SEAT INSPECTIONS

The City of Janesville Fire Department offers free Child Safety Seat Inspections on the following dates and times. Please call (608) 921-3786 to schedule

ALL EVENTS ARE HELD AT  
FIRE STATION #5  
1414 NEWPORT AVENUE

### 2020 Dates

January 9 · 2-6 pm  
February 13 · 8 am-Noon  
March 12 · 2-6 pm  
April 9 · 8 am-Noon  
May 14 · 2-6 pm  
June 11 · 8 am-Noon  
July 9 · 2-6 pm  
August 13 · 8 am-Noon  
September 10 · 2-6 pm  
October 8 · 8 am-Noon  
November 12 · 2-6 pm  
December 10 · 8 am-Noon

### NEED MORE INFORMATION?

If you would like more information about City of Janesville's Child Safety Seat inspections or have any other questions, please call the Car Seat hotline at (608) 921-3786. You may also visit our website at <http://www.ci.janesville.wi.us>. •



### Janesville Fire Department

303 Milton Avenue  
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**Office Hours:** Monday-Friday, 7:30 am to 4:30 pm

**(608) 755-3050**

Web: [www.ci.janesville.wi.us](http://www.ci.janesville.wi.us)

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*It is the **MISSION** of the  
**JANESVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
to hold the needs of our citizens in the  
highest regard, protecting life & property  
by providing professional emergency  
response with **INTEGRITY, RESPECT,**  
**SERVICE, and PRIDE***



**CITY OF JANESVILLE**  
*Wisconsin's Park Place*

## FIRE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES GRANT

The Janesville Fire Department received a \$2,500 grant from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to implement a child safety seat program.

The purpose of this program is to assist parents in protecting the lives of Rock County's youngest residents by providing certified child safety seat technicians who will inspect, instruct and correct improperly installed child safety seats.

The grant has allowed the Fire Department to plan monthly installation and inspection events.



## CHILD SAFETY SEAT PROGRAM

During the events, several technicians will be available to inspect child safety seats.

Each inspection takes approximately 30 minutes and is free of charge, however donations are accepted. The donations will be used to fund the operating costs of the inspection program.

To limit waiting periods for families, appointments are recommended. Please contact (608) 921-3786 to schedule an appointment. In addition to the monthly events, individual appointments can also be arranged.

The Fire Department also has low-cost safety seats available for purchase.

If a safety seat is found to be unsafe during an inspection, parents may choose to conveniently purchase a new safety seat from the Fire Department. The Fire Department has low-cost safety seats available for purchase.

## 4 STEPS FOR KIDS



## CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY -BOOSTER SEAT LAW-

The Child Booster Seat Law went into effect on July 1, 2006.

Generally, children must be properly restrained in a child safety seat until they reach age 4 and in booster seats until age 8. The law includes the following four-step progression for effective child safety protection in vehicles.

(1) Rear-facing child safety seat in the back seat is required when the child:

- Is less than 1 year old, or
- Weighs less than 20 pounds

(2) Forward-facing child safety seat in the back seat is required when the child:

- Is at least 1 year old but less than 4 years old
- Weighs at least 20 pounds but less than 40 pounds

(3) Booster seat is required when the child:

- Is at least 4 years old but less than 8 years old
- Weighs at least 40 pounds but less than 80 pounds
- Is less than 57 inches

(4) Safety belt is required when the child:

- Is 8 years old or older, or
- Weighs 80 or more pounds, or
- Is 57 inches or taller

### EXEMPTIONS:

- Children whose body-size, physical condition, or medical condition make safety restraints unreasonable are exempt from booster seat and safety belt laws.
- There is no "personal needs" exemption allowing the child to be removed from a safety restraint to attend to the child's personal needs, such as feeling or diapering, while the vehicle is moving.